

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : Case No. 1:20-cr-00142-1
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Plaintiff, : **Jury Trial, Day 12**
: Friday, July 8, 2022
- v - :
: 1:15 p.m.
ALEXANDER SITTENFELD, a/k/a :
"P.G. Sittenfeld," : Verdict
:
Defendant. : Cincinnati, Ohio

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Excerpted Proceedings - Verdict

BEFORE THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS R. COLE, DISTRICT JUDGE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 (In open court at 2:11 p.m.)

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4 THE COURT: Is there anything we need to discuss on
5 the record before we bring the jury in?

6 MS. GAFFNEY PAINTER: Not from the government, Your
7 Honor.

8 MR. C. MATTHEW RITTGERS: No, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Very good. Let's bring in the jury.

10 (Jury in at 2:12 p.m.)

11 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, have
12 you selected a foreperson? So Juror Number 12?

13 JUROR 12: Yes.

14 THE COURT: Juror Number 12, it's the Court's
15 understanding that the jury has reached a verdict; is that
16 correct?

17 JUROR 12: Yes, Your Honor, we have.

18 THE COURT: And have you filled out a form?

19 JUROR 12: Yes.

20 THE COURT: Very good. Could I ask you to please
21 provide it to my deputy.

22 JUROR 12: Yes.

23 THE COURT: I have reviewed the verdict. It seems to
24 be in appropriate form, so I would ask the deputy to please
25 read the verdict.

1 COURTROOM DEPUTY: "In the United States District
2 Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Western Division, in
3 the matter of the United States of America versus Alexander
4 Sittenfeld, case number 1:20-cr-142.

5 "Count 1, 18 U.S.C., Sections 1343 and 1346, how do you
6 find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka P.G. Sittenfeld,
7 as to Count 1, guilty or not guilty? Answer: Not guilty.

8 "Count 2, 18 U.S.C., Sections 1343 and 1346, how do you
9 find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka P.G. Sittenfeld,
10 as to Count 2, guilty or not guilty? Answer: Not guilty.

11 "Count 3, 18 United States Code, Section 666(a)(1)(B),
12 how do you find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka
13 P.G. Sittenfeld, as to Count 3, guilty or not guilty?
14 Answer: Guilty.

15 "Count 4, 18 United States Code, Section 1951(a)(b)(2),
16 how do you find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka
17 P.G. Sittenfeld, as to Count 4, guilty or not guilty?
18 Answer: Guilty.

19 "Count 5, 18 United States Code, Section 666(a)(1)(B),
20 how do you find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka
21 P.G. Sittenfeld, as to Count 5, guilty or not guilty?
22 answer: Not guilty.

23 "Count 6, 18 United States Code, Section 1951(a)(b)(2),
24 how do you find the defendant, Alexander Sittenfeld, aka
25 P.G. Sittenfeld, as to Count 6, guilty or not guilty?

1 Answer: Not guilty.

2 "The foregoing constitutes the unanimous verdict of the
3 jury. It is signed this date, 7/8/22, and it's signed by all
4 the jurors."

5 THE COURT: Thank you. Madame Foreperson, is that
6 the true and accurate verdict?

7 JUROR 12: Yes, it is, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Could I ask the deputy to please poll the
9 jury.

10 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 1, is this your true
11 and only verdict?

12 JUROR 1: Yes.

13 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 2, is this your true
14 and only verdict?

15 JUROR 2: Yes.

16 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 3, is this your true
17 and only verdict?

18 JUROR 3: Yes.

19 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 4, is this your true
20 and only verdict?

21 JUROR 4: Yes.

22 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 5, is this your true
23 and only verdict?

24 JUROR 5: Yes.

25 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 6, is this your true

1 and only verdict?

2 JUROR 6: Yes.

3 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 7, is this your true
4 and only verdict?

5 JUROR 7: Yes.

6 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 9, is this your true
7 and only verdict?

8 JUROR 9: Yes.

9 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 10, is this your true
10 and only verdict?

11 JUROR 10: Yes.

12 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 12, is this your true
13 and only verdict?

14 JUROR 12: Yes.

15 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror Number 13, is this your true
16 and only verdict?

17 JUROR 13: Yes.

18 COURTROOM DEPUTY: And finally, Juror Number 14, is
19 this your true and only verdict?

20 JUROR 14: Yes.

21 COURTROOM DEPUTY: Thank you.

22 THE COURT: Is there anything we need to do before we
23 release the jury?

24 MS. GAFFNEY PAINTER: Not from the government, Your
25 Honor.

1 MR. C. MATTHEW RITTGERS: Your Honor, we would like
2 to conduct the hearing that we discussed in chambers.

3 THE COURT: Sure. I'm going to release the jury back
4 up to the jury room, with the thanks of the Court.

5 I will be up there very shortly to talk with you a little
6 bit further.

7 But thank you very much for your service and your
8 attention over the last couple of weeks.

9 (Jury out at 2:18 p.m.)

10 THE COURT: Apart from the issue we've previously
11 discussed, is there anything else that we need to discuss on
12 the record at this juncture?

13 MS. GLATFELTER: No, Your Honor. Does the Court wish
14 for the parties to stay here?

15 THE COURT: Yes. In fact, let's just reconvene in
16 chambers.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you.

18 THE COURT: Mr. Rittgers, anything?

19 MR. C. MATTHEW RITTGERS: No, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Very good. All right.

21 (Proceedings adjourned at 2:18 p.m.)

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I, M. SUE LOPREATO, RMR, CRR, certify that the foregoing
is a correct transcript from the record of proceedings in the
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/s/ M. Sue Lopreato
M. SUE LOPREATO, RMR, CRR
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